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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 9, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the following:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Request for Reconsideration/Remarks/Conclusion begin on page 6 of this paper.

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